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Interagency Working Group on Biometrics

Interagency RDT&E Coordination

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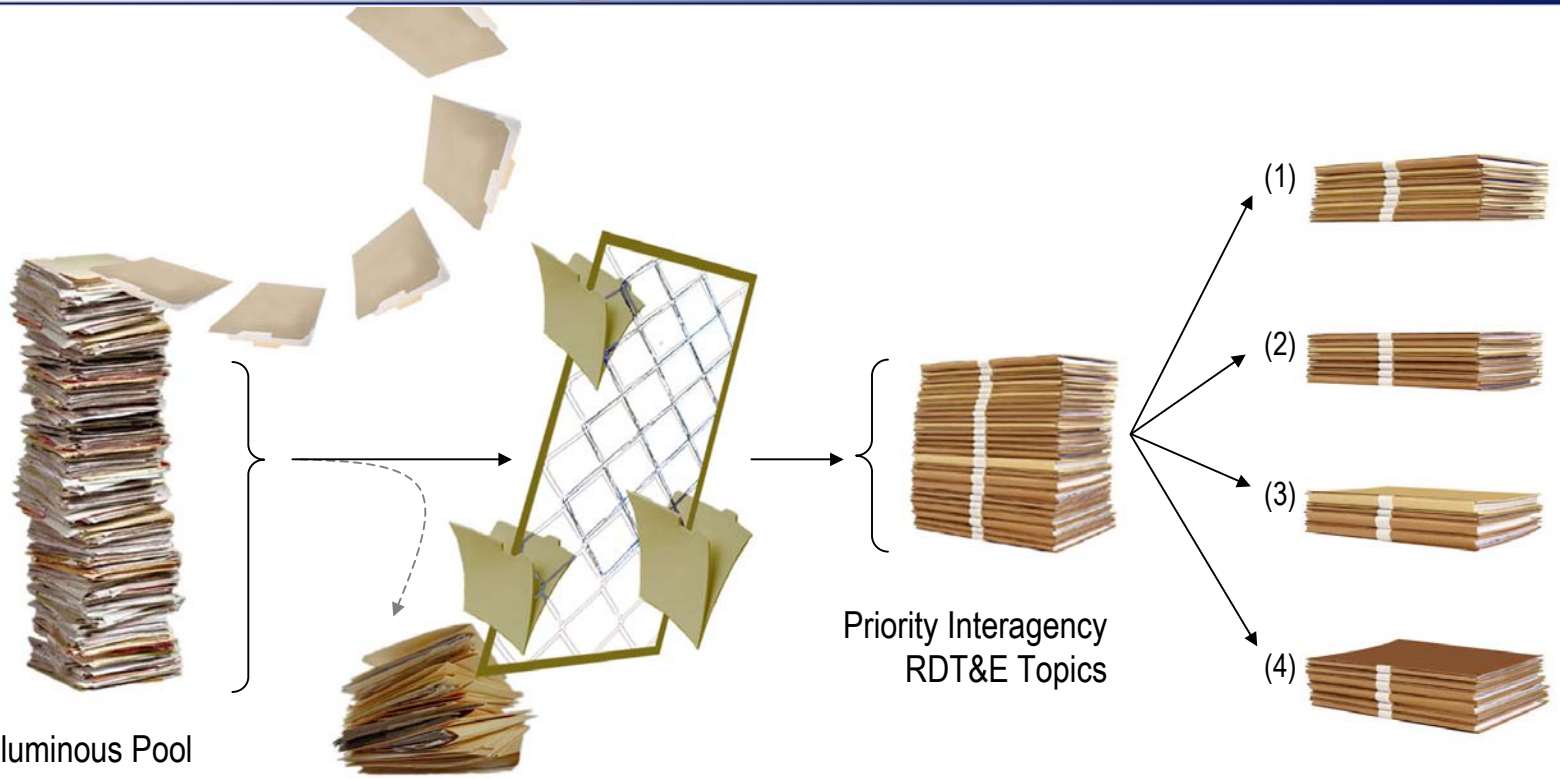
Topic Selection



Voluminous Pool of Potential RDT&E Topics

Filter Criteria:

- Applicable to multiple federal mission areas
- Interagency coordination beneficial

Priority Interagency RDT&E Topics

4 Subgroups formed:

(1) Modalities
(2) Systems & Human-System Interface
(3) Fusion Test Infrastructure and Evaluation
(4) Social / Legal / Privacy

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Subgroup Analysis

(A) Social/Legal/Privacy Subgroup

(B) Interagency Coordination Topics:

- Face Recognition Research
- Fingerprint Recognition Research
- Iris Recognition Research
- Other Biometric Research
- Multi-modal Fusion Research
- Decision Support Tools
- Operational & System Vulnerabilities
- Human-System Interface
- Infrastructure for RDT&E Data Sharing
- Data & Metadata collection for RDT&E
- Test & Evaluation of Biometrics
- Application Description

(C) Additional Cross-Cutting Areas:

- Standards
- Solicitations

Coordination Activities

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Interagency Coordination Plan (ICP)

Face Recognition Research

- Face Recognition technology
  - highly accurate for *some* applications
  - additional research still needed
- Face Recognition Vendor Test 2002
  - most recent large-scale evaluation completed
  - provides an overview of capabilities and limitations
- Advancement is dependent upon
  - a combination of in-depth studies of particular issues (e.g., indoor vs. outdoor)
  - incremental algorithm improvements
  - new approaches to the problem (high-resolution 2D and 3D face recognition)

Coordination Activities

- Face Recognition Grand Challenge
  - FY04-FY05; overall evaluation planned at conclusion
  - Will challenge universities and commercial entities to improve algorithms
- Information Sharing and Outreach
  - Ensure lessons learned are shared throughout the community
- Human Performance
  - Raise awareness of issues surrounding humans' recognition of other humans (you don't know who you don't know)